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# REPORT ON THE FILING OR DETERMINATION OF AN ACTION REGARDING A PATENT OR TRADEMARK

DATE

March 3, 2011

In Compliance with 35 § 290 and/or 15 U.S.C. § 1116 you are hereby advised that a court action has been filed in the U.S. District Court Northern District of California on the following ☐ Trademarks: X Patents or U.S. DISTRICT COURT DATE FILED DOCKET NO. 280 South First Street, Rm 2112, San Jose, CA 95113 CV 11-00914 PSG 2/25/2011 DEFENDANT PLAINTIFF LENESHA CAREY INGRID AND ISABEL LLC DATE OF PATENT PATENT OR HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK OR TRADEMARK TRADEMARK NO. SEE ATTACHED COMPLAINT 3 4 5 In the above—entitled case, the following patent(s) have been included: INCLUDED BY DATE INCLUDED ☐ Other Pleading ☐ Answer Cross Bill Amendment DATE OF PATENT PATENT OR HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK TRADEMARK NO. OR TRADEMARK 2 3 4 In the above—entitled case, the following decision has been rendered or judgement issued: DECISION/JUDGEMENT

**Betty Walton** 

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trademark rights.

- 46. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants have gained profits by virtue of its infringement of Plaintiff's federally recognized trademark rights.
- 47. Plaintiff has also sustained damages as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' infringement of Plaintiff's federally recognized trademark rights in an amount to be proven at trial. Plaintiff is likely to suffer irreparable harm from Defendants' infringement of Plaintiff's federally recognized trademark rights insofar as Plaintiff's invaluable goodwill is being eroded by Defendants' continuing infringement. Plaintiff lacks an adequate remedy at law to compensate it for the loss of business reputation, customers, market position, confusion of potential customers and investors, and goodwill flowing from Defendants' infringing activities.
- 48. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1116, Plaintiff is entitled to an injunction against Defendants' continuing infringement of Plaintiff's federally recognized trademark rights. Unless enjoined, Defendants will continue their infringing conduct.
- 49. Because Defendants' actions have been committed with intent to damage Plaintiff and to confuse and deceive the public, Plaintiff is entitled to treble its actual damages or Defendants' profits, whichever is greater, and to an ward of costs and, this being an exceptional case, reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a) and 1117(b). Alternatively, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages allowed under 15 U.S.C. § 1117(c). Plaintiff will make its election at the appropriate time before final judgment.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as hereinafter set forth.

#### **COUNT III**

# Federal Unfair Competition (Lanham Act – Section 43(a))

- 50. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 51. Plaintiff is the owner of the federal and state law rights in the BELLA BAND trademark.

- 52. The acts of Defendants complained of herein are likely to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive, as to the origin of Defendants' goods, as to an affiliation, connection or association of Defendants and its goods with Plaintiff and the BELLA BAND trademark, and as to sponsorship or approval of Defendants' goods by Plaintiff.
- 53. Defendants' unauthorized use of the BELLA BAND trademark in connection with maternity products constitutes a commercial use in interstate commerce.
- 54. Defendants' actions constitute unfair competition, false designation of origin, palming off, passing off, and false description or representation in violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).
- 55. Defendants' unlawful acts have caused immediate irreparable harm to Plaintiff and will continue to cause irreparable harm to Plaintiff unless enjoined.
- 56. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants have profited from their unlawful actions and have been unjustly enriched to the detriment of Plaintiff.

  Defendants' unlawful actions have caused Plaintiff monetary damage in an amount presently unknown, but in an amount to be determined at trial.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as set forth below.

### **COUNT IV**

# False and Misleading Advertising in Violation of Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17500 and 17535

- 57. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 58. Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND trademark in connection with maternity products in any advertising device, or any other means, constitutes advertising done with the intent to directly or indirectly induce the public to enter in to business transactions with Defendants regarding its goods.
- 59. Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND trademark in connection with maternity products has caused, and is likely to continue to cause, confusion, mistake, and deception as to the affiliation, connection or association of Defendants and Plaintiff, and as to the origin, sponsorship

or approval of Defendants' goods by Plaintiff, to Plaintiff's detriment.

- 60. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that in making and disseminating advertising and promotional materials, including the statements alleged herein, Defendants knew, or by exercise of reasonable care should have known, that the statements were untrue and/or misleading and so acted in violation of California Business & Professions Code § 17500 and/or § 17535.
- 61. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants' unlawful activities have resulted in unjust enrichment to Defendants. Plaintiff has been damaged and has suffered irreparable injury due to Defendants' acts and will continue to suffer irreparable injury unless Defendants' activities are enjoined.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as set forth below.

#### COUNT V

## Common Law Trademark Infringement

- 62. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 63. Defendants' unauthorized use of the BELLA BAND trademark in connection with maternity products in interstate commerce and in the State of California in connection with the promotion and sale of Defendants' goods constitutes a false designation of origin, a false and/or misleading description of fact, and/or a false or misleading representation of fact which constitutes an infringement of Plaintiff's trademark rights, and is likely to cause confusion, and mistake, and/or deception as to the affiliation, connection or association of Defendants and Plaintiff, and/or as to the origin, sponsorship or approval of Defendants' goods by Plaintiff all in violation of California common law.
- 64. Plaintiff has been damaged and has suffered irreparable injury due to Defendants' acts and will continue to suffer irreparable injury unless said Defendants' activities are enjoined.
- 65. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants' unlawful activities have resulted in unjust enrichment to Defendants. Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer damages by reason of Defendants' acts as alleged above and Plaintiff is entitled to recover

from Defendants the damages sustained as a result of Defendants' acts.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as set forth below.

#### **COUNT VI**

## Unfair Competition In Violation of Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200

- 66. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 67. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND trademark to drive potential customers to Defendants' maternity bands has the effect of deceiving the public into believing that said Defendants and their products are in some way associated or affiliated to Plaintiff and/or its products.
- 68. Defendants' conduct, as described above, constitutes an unfair or fraudulent business practice, in violation of Section 17200 of the California Business and Professions Code.
- 69. Defendants' conduct has proximately caused and will continue to cause Plaintiff substantial injury and damage.
- 70. Unless enjoined, Defendants' conduct will cause imminent and irreparable injury to Plaintiff, the amount of which will be difficult to ascertain, if it continues. Plaintiff therefore lacks an adequate remedy at law.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as set forth below.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests entry of judgment in its favor and against Defendants as follows:

- A. On Count I, declaring that Defendants have infringed one or more claims of the '775 and '852 Patents;
- B. On Count I, preliminarily and/or permanently enjoining Defendants and their officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and all persons acting in active concert or participation with them, from further infringing, contributing to, and/or inducing the infringement of the Patents, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 283;
  - C. On Count I, awarding Plaintiff a reasonable royalty in an amount adequate to

compensate Plaintiff for Defendants' infringement, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 154;

- D. On Count I, awarding Plaintiff damages in an amount adequate to compensate Plaintiff for Defendants' infringement, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- E. On Count I, increasing the damages to three times the amount found or assessed by virtue of the deliberate and willful nature of Defendants' infringement, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- F. On Counts II, III, IV, V and VI, preliminarily and/or permanently enjoining Defendants and their officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, from:
  - Using the Plaintiff's BELLA BAND trademark, and/or any confusingly similar designation, in connection with any of Defendants' maternity products, or otherwise using the BELLA BAND trademark to market, advertise or identify products or services;
  - Doing any other act likely to induce the mistaken belief that Defendants or its products or commercial activities are in any way affiliated, connected or associated with Plaintiff or its products or services;
  - 3. Unfairly competing with Plaintiff in any manner whatsoever;
  - 4. Causing likelihood of confusion and injury to Plaintiff's business reputation; and
  - 5. Committing any other act or making any other statement which infringes or dilutes Plaintiff's trademarks or constitutes an act of infringement, dilution, unfair competition, or untrue and misleading advertising, under federal law or the laws of the State of California.
- G. On Counts I, II and III, requiring Defendants to account for a pay over to Plaintiff, Defendants' profits and all damages sustained by Plaintiff, as provided for in 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).
- H. On Counts II and III, for recovery of treble damages from Defendants as provided for in 15 U.S.C. § § 1114 and 1117(b);
  - I. On Count V, for punitive damages according to proof;

1	J.	On all counts, for actual damages according to proof;	
2	K.	On all counts, for statutory damages allowed by statute;	
3	L.	L. On all counts, for interest on all the foregoing amounts, at the legal rate, with effect	
4	from the due date for payment;		
5	M.	On all counts, awarding Plaintiff its costs of suit, including reasonable attorneys'	
6	fees; and		
7	N.	On all counts, granting such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and	
8	appropriate.		
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## DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff hereby demands trial by jury of all issues so triable.

Dated: February 24, 2011

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10	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA			
11	CV11 0914			
12	INGRID & ISABEL, LLC, a California	CASE NO.		
13	limited liability company,	COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT		
14	Plaintiff,	COMPETITION IN VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS		
15	vs.			
16	LENESHA CAREY, an individual; TUMMY TANKZ, a business entity;			
17	BELLYBANDSFORPREGNANCY.COM, a business entity,			
18	Defendants.			
19	Defendants.	CODE § 17200		
20		DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL		
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22	Plaintiff Ingrid & Isabel, LLC. ("Ingrid & Isabel" or "Plaintiff") hereby alleges for its			
23	Complaint against defendants LeNesha Carey, Tummy Tankz, and BellyBandsForPregnancy.com			
24	(collectively "Defendants") on personal knowledge as to its own activities and on information and			
25	belief as to the activities of others, as follows:			
26	INTRODUCTION			
27	1. This action is brought by Ingrid & Isabel against Defendants for damages arising out			
28	of, inter alia, Defendants' infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,181,775 (the "'775 Patent") and			

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT; FEDERAL TRADEMARK INFRINGMENT; FEDERAL UNFAIR COMPETITION; FALSE ADVERTISING; COMMON LAW TRADEMARK INFRINGMENT; UNFAIR COMPETITION IN VIOLATION OF CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE § 17200

7,676,852 (the "'852 Patent"), (and collectively, "the Patents"). As set forth in detail below, Ingrid Carney is the sole inventor of Patents, which describe various methods for accommodating the shape of a woman during pregnancy without the need for a series of different-sized maternity clothes. Ingrid & Isabel is a California limited liability company and is the present owner of the entire right, title and interest in the Patents. True and correct copies of the '775 and '852 Patents are attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B", respectively. Defendants are manufacturers and/or distributors that make, import, offer for sale, sell and/or distribute certain products, including the Tummy Tankz Maternity Belly Band and BabybeMine Maternity Belly Band ("Belly Band"), that embody the claimed technology of the Patents.

2. This is an action for patent infringement, trademark infringement and unfair competition in violation of the Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. § 1051 et seq.), false advertising and unfair competition in violation of the California Business and Professions Code, and common law trademark infringement. This action is brought by Plaintiff in response to Defendants' actions in making, using, importing, distributing, offering for sale and/or selling certain products in the United States that infringe the Patents, including, but not limited, to the Belly Band. This action is further brought by Plaintiff in response to Defendants' adoption and use of Plaintiff's patent, trademark and other indicia of origin and quality that are confusingly similar and nearly identical to certain of Plaintiff's federally registered and incontestable trademarks. These federally registered and incontestable trademarks include U.S. Federal Trademark Registration No. 3,548,598. A true and correct copy of the BELLA BAND Federal Trademark Registration is attached hereto as Exhibit "C", and made a part hereof. Defendants' use of confusingly similar and nearly identical trademarks and other indicia of origin and quality occur in connection with, for example, Belly Bands sold online in competition with Ingrid & Isabel.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter because it is an infringement action arising under the United States Patent Act (35 U.S.C. § 271 et seq.), and Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. § 1051 et seq.) pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1121. Accordingly, this Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. sections 1331 and 1338(a).

- 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction in this District, because Defendants have caused tortious injury in this District by acts both inside and outside the District, and regularly solicits business in this District or derive substantial revenue from sales of goods, including infringing goods in this District, or otherwise have engaged in a persistent course of conduct in this District.
- 5. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants knowingly and purposefully directed their infringing acts to this District, knowing that Plaintiff is a resident of this District and would suffer injuries in this District. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants have made commercial use of Plaintiff's website and trademark. Defendants willfully, deliberately and knowingly used Plaintiff's trademark for the purpose of promoting Defendants' business in competition with Plaintiff.
- 6. Venue for this action is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. sections 1391 and 1400 because a significant portion of the Defendants' allegedly infringing activities are believed to have occurred in this District.

## INTRA-DISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

7. For the purposes of Civil L.R. 3-2(c) and (d), this Intellectual Property action may be assigned to any division of this District.

## THE PARTIES

- 8. Plaintiff is a California limited liability company with its principal place of business in San Francisco, California.
- 9. Plaintiff has marketed and sold its well-known Bella Band maternity bands in interstate commerce since November 2003. Plaintiff's Bella Band maternity bands have obtained widespread commercial success in the maternity clothes market and consumers have come to know and associate the Bella Band maternity bands with Plaintiff.
- 10. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant LeNesha Carey is an individual residing in Goodyear, Arizona. Plaintiff is further informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant Carey distributes imports, sells and/or offers for sale in the United States maternity wear, including the Belly Band product.

- 11. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant Tummy Tankz is a business entity which has its principal place of business in Goodyear, Arizona. Plaintiff is further informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant Tummy Tankz distributes, imports, sells and/or offers for sale in the United States maternity wear, including the Belly Band product.
- 12. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant BellyBandsForPregnancy.com is a business entity which has its principal place of business in Goodyear, Arizona. Plaintiff is further informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendant BellyBandsForPregnancy.com distributes, imports, sells and/or offers for sale in the United States maternity wear, including the Belly Band product

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

#### Plaintiff's Patents

- 13. Ingrid Carney is the sole inventor of the '775 Patent, issued on February 27, 2007, entitled "Maternity Garment" and Plaintiff is the assignee of all right, title and interest in the '775 Patent.
- 14. Ingrid Carney is the sole inventor of the '852 Patent, issued on March 16, 2010, entitled "Maternity Garment," and Plaintiff is the assignee of all right, title and interest in the '852 Patent.
- 15. The Patents generally concern accommodating the shape of a woman during pregnancy without the need for a series of different-sized maternity clothes. The Patents describe, in part, the use of a flexible band that is worn around the torso and allows for pants or skirts that would otherwise be too tight to be worn without requiring them to be fastened around the waist. The Patents also describe, in part, the use of a flexible band that is worn around the torso that allows for clothes that would otherwise be too loose and/or large to be worn.

#### **Defendants' Unlawful Conduct Relating To The Patents**

16. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants make, use, import, distribute, offer for sale and/or sell certain products in the United States that infringe the Patents, including, but not limited, to the Belly Band, as well as other maternity products which

may be further identified during the course of discovery.

- 17. Like Plaintiff's Bella Band, Defendant's Belly Band product is a clothing accessory that allows women to minimize the amount of different-sized clothes needed during the course of pregnancy. Similarly, Defendant's Belly Band product is a flexible band that is worn around the torso.
- 18. Plaintiff provided copies of the Patents to Defendants by written notice on December 2, 2010. Despite such notice, Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants have been, and continue to be, willfully infringing the Patents from December 2, 2010, forward.

## Plaintiff's BELLA BAND Trademark

- BAND to identify its maternity waist bands and to distinguish them from those made and sold by others, by, among other things, prominently displaying the mark BELLA BAND on the goods, their containers and the displays associated therewith. In addition, Plaintiff has prominently displayed said mark on store fronts, letterheads, bills, direct mail advertising, telephone directory advertising, internet marketing, and in periodicals distributed throughout the United States.
- 20. Over the years, Plaintiff has invested significant amounts of money and resources in advertising and promoting the BELLA BAND brand and, as a result, the BELLA BAND trademark has become widely known, is distinctive, and is a valuable asset of Plaintiff.
- 21. The BELLA BAND trademark is federally protected as a registered federal trademark Reg. No. 3,548,598 and is protected under federal and state unfair competition laws from the date of the adoption and first use thereof in or about July 2003.

## Defendants' Unlawful Conduct Relating To The BELLA BAND Trademark

22. Notwithstanding Plaintiff's well known prior rights in its BELLA BAND trademark, Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants have represented the BELLA BAND as its own or have claimed an affiliation of some type with Plaintiff and its BELLA BAND trademark.

- 23. Defendants are not, nor have they ever been, authorized by Plaintiff to use any trademark containing the words BELLA BAND.
- 24. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants are willfully attempting to trade upon and usurp the considerable goodwill associated with Plaintiff's BELLA BAND trademark by representing Defendants' product as the BELLA BAND or sponsored by Plaintiff in some way. The effect of Defendants' conduct, therefore, has been to misappropriate the goodwill associated with the BELLA BAND trademark and to improperly lure potential customers of the BELLA BAND to Defendants' maternity products, all to the detriment of Plaintiff.
- 25. Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND mark in connection with its maternity bands is likely to cause confusion, to cause mistake, and to deceive consumers as to the source of said Defendants' maternity bands, as to Plaintiff's sponsorship or approval of the Defendants' maternity bands, and as to an affiliation, connection or association between Plaintiff and Defendants.
- 26. Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND mark in connection with its maternity bands conveys the false impression that its maternity bands emanate from or are endorsed by Plaintiff or are affiliated with Plaintiff.
- 27. Prior to selling its maternity bands in connection with the BELLA BAND mark, Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants had actual notice of Plaintiff's prior trademark rights in the BELLA BAND mark.
- 28. Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND mark in connection with sales of its maternity bands has caused, and continues to cause, damage to Plaintiff's trademark.
- 29. Defendants' unlawful activities have resulted in unjust enrichment to Defendants and immediate irreparable harm to Plaintiff. If Defendants' unlawful activities are not immediately enjoined, Defendants will continue to be unjustly enriched and will continue to irreparably harm Plaintiff. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as hereinafter set forth.

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#### **COUNT I**

## Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,181,775 and U.S. Patent No. 7,676,852

- 30. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 31. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants make, use, import, distribute, offer for sale and/or sells the Belly Band product and possibly other products that infringe the Patents, and will continue to do so unless enjoined by this Court.
- 32. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants' conduct in making, using, importing, distributing, offering for sale and/or selling the Belly Band product and possibly other infringing products constitutes an infringement of Plaintiff's rights under the Patents.
- 33. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants actively induce others to infringe, and/or commit acts of contributory infringement of one or more claims of the Patents, through its activities related to making, using, importing, distributing, offering for sale and/or selling the Belly Band product and possibly other infringing products, all in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 34. Plaintiff has been damaged by Defendants' infringing conduct, and Defendants are therefore liable to Plaintiff for actual damages suffered by them, and any profits realized on the sale of the Belly Band product and possibly other infringing products, which are not taken into account in the computation of actual damages, as well as any statutory damages, such as treble damages. Moreover, such conduct is likely to cause substantial harm to Plaintiff, unless the Court enjoins the infringing conduct.
- 35. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants' infringement of the Patents has been, and continues to be, deliberate and willful.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as hereinafter set forth.

## COUNT II

# FEDERAL TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT (35 U.S.C. § 1114(a))

- 36. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each of the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 29, as though fully set forth herein.
- 37. Plaintiff owns federally registered trademark number 3,548,598 for BELLA BAND, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
  - 38. Plaintiff has never consented to Defendants' use of the BELLA BAND mark.
- 39. Defendants, at all relevant times, have had either actual notice and knowledge or constructive notice of Plaintiff's ownership and rights in the BELLA BAND mark and subsequent registration.
- 40. Defendants' unauthorized use of Plaintiff's BELLA BAND mark has caused confusion, deception, and mistake among consumers, vendors, and investors as to the origin, sponsorship, or approval of certain goods and services bearing the BELLA BAND mark or sold under the BELLA BAND name.
- 41. Defendants' unauthorized use of Plaintiff's BELLA BAND mark will continue to cause or is likely to cause confusion, deception, and mistake among consumers, vendors, and investors as to the origin, sponsorship, or approval of certain goods and services bearing the BELLA BAND mark or sold under the BELLA BAND name.
- 42. Defendants' unauthorized use of Plaintiff's BELLA BAND mark has caused confusion or mistake as to any affiliation, connection, or association between Plaintiff and Defendants.
- 43. Defendants' unauthorized use of Plaintiff's mark will continue to cause or is likely to cause confusion or mistake as to any affiliation, connection, or association between Plaintiff Defendants.
  - 44. Defendants' actions constitute a violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1114(a).
- 45. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants' actions have been and continue to be intentional, willful, and without regard for Plaintiff's federally recognized